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In re Application of:

Gary K. Michelson

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INTERBODY SPINAL IMPLANT HAVING

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Advisory Action of September 5, 2008 and to the Final Office Action of June 13, 2008, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Amendment AF 9-12-08